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<p align="center"><b>Advisory Action</b> <b>Before the Filing of an Appeal Brief</b></p>	<b>Application No.</b> 10/662,293	<b>Applicant(s)</b> DOYON ET AL.	
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THE REPLY FILED 03 March 2011 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE.

1. ☒ The reply was filed after a final rejection, but prior to or on the same day as filing a Notice of Appeal. To avoid abandonment of this application, applicant must timely file one of the following replies: (1) an amendment, affidavit, or other evidence, which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee) in compliance with 37 CFR 41.31; or (3) a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114. The reply must be filed within one of the following time periods:

- a) ☐ The period for reply expires \_\_\_\_\_ months from the mailing date of the final rejection.  
 b) ☒ The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection.

Examiner Note: If box 1 is checked, check either box (a) or (b). ONLY CHECK BOX (b) WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f).

Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

#### NOTICE OF APPEAL

2. ☐ The Notice of Appeal was filed on \_\_\_\_\_. A brief in compliance with 37 CFR 41.37 must be filed within two months of the date of filing the Notice of Appeal (37 CFR 41.37(a)), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 41.37(e)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal. Since a Notice of Appeal has been filed, any reply must be filed within the time period set forth in 37 CFR 41.37(a).

#### AMENDMENTS

3. ☒ The proposed amendment(s) filed after a final rejection, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will not be entered because  
 (a) ☒ They raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);  
 (b) ☒ They raise the issue of new matter (see NOTE below);  
 (c) ☐ They are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or  
 (d) ☐ They present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.

NOTE: See Continuation Sheet. (See 37 CFR 1.116 and 41.33(a)).

4. ☐ The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121. See attached Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (PTOL-324).  
 5. ☐ Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): \_\_\_\_\_.  
 6. ☐ Newly proposed or amended claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).  
 7. ☒ For purposes of appeal, the proposed amendment(s): a) ☒ will not be entered, or b) ☐ will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.  
 The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:  
 Claim(s) allowed: none.  
 Claim(s) objected to: none.  
 Claim(s) rejected: 1-14.  
 Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: none.

#### AFFIDAVIT OR OTHER EVIDENCE

8. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence filed after a final action, but before or on the date of filing a Notice of Appeal will not be entered because applicant failed to provide a showing of good and sufficient reasons why the affidavit or other evidence is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 1.116(e).  
 9. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence filed after the date of filing a Notice of Appeal, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will not be entered because the affidavit or other evidence failed to overcome all rejections under appeal and/or appellant fails to provide a showing of good and sufficient reasons why it is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 41.33(d)(1).  
 10. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence is entered. An explanation of the status of the claims after entry is below or attached.

#### REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION/OTHER

11. ☒ The request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because:  
See Continuation Sheet.  
 12. ☐ Note the attached Information *Disclosure Statement*(s). (PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s). \_\_\_\_\_.  
 13. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_.

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Continuation of 3. NOTE: Amendment to claim 1 require the examiner to perform an additional search and examination. Amendment to claim 1 contains new matter which further limits the scope of the claim. In a computer system, a method for providing improved real time command execution in a non real time operating system, comprising: ... initiating one at a time, using the at least one CPU, execution of each of said commands from said stored sequence of commands. Claim 1 the recitation of "initiating one at a time" is not disclosed in the specification. Thorough review of the specification by the Examiner did not result in finding of the subject matter properly disclosed in the specification.

Continuation of 11. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: as stated in the Final Office action dated 1/3/2011, page 2, item 3 through page 6, item 4, Baertsch teaches in a computer system, a method for providing improved real time command execution in a non real time operating system, comprising: executing at least one application at user level mode of said computer system (i.e. "excel user interface 339, Figure 16, For communication with software system 328, instructions are prepared in excel user interface 339, and then translated by translator 331 before being received by Perl script unit 333", col. 15, lines 25-28); having said at least one application (i.e. "excel user interface 339", Figure 16) at said user mode level (i.e. -excel is a user interface which executes at user mode as shown in Figure 71-, "As illustrated, interface 730 includes a plurality of user interfaces 732, which interfaces with operating system kernel 734", col. 72, lines 54-56) determine a sequence to be followed for a set of commands (i.e. "frame sequence 310"- is specified by user using excel-, "An exact sequence of image frames and associated acquisition parameters is needed in advance for a particular image acquisition. Accordingly, one can specify, for each frame, the readout delay relative to x-ray pulse, the detector parameters, etc. A description of such attributes is captured in a frame sequence 310 of script 309. Program applications configure the data acquisition system through the frame sequence structure and then trigger the system to initiate acquisition of the frames", col. 14, lines 10-18, "Referring to FIG. 16, the event compiler 408 takes a Perl script as its input. Data from an Excel user interface 339 can alternatively be used to generate the Perl script with translator 331", col. 77, lines 22-25, "FIG. 15 is a block diagram showing the flow of control information and data through system 300 during image acquisition. As illustrated, frame sequence 310 is created by way of script 309", col. 14, lines 39-42); providing (i.e. creating and sending) from said at least one application (i.e. -using "Excel user interface 339", Figure 14 to create the script) said sequence of commands (i.e. "FIG. 15 is a block diagram showing the flow of control information and data through system 300 during image acquisition. As illustrated, frame sequence 310 is created by way of script 309", col. 14, lines 39-42) to a privileged mode (i.e. DFN device driver 314 operates at kernel mode, Figure 71) of said computer system (i.e. "Frame sequence 310 is then translated into event sequence 312 using a compiler, which knows the details of the target control hardware. Event sequence 312 is received by test control unit 311, then sent to DFN device driver 314, over computer communication bus 302, and finally to detector framing node 304. The event sequence 312 is then stored in preparation for execution", col. 14, lines 42-48) to be executed in real time (i.e. "Once the event sequence 312 is known, the details are transmitted to DFN 304 for execution in real-time", col. 14, lines 36-38); storing said sequence of commands (i.e. "Event sequence 312, Figure 15") in a command queue (i.e. "Event Queue 322, Figure 15, Event sequence 312 is received by test control unit 311, then sent to DFN device driver 314, over computer communication bus 302, and finally to detector framing node 304. The event sequence 312 is then stored in preparation for execution", col. 14, lines 44-48, "As illustrated, detector framing node 304 communicates commands and responses with computer communication bus 302 by way of acquisition control unit 324. Event sequence 312 is communicated to event queue 322 by way of acquisition control unit 324, col. 14, lines 61-65) to be accessible (i.e. "event sequence initiated") from a privileged mode level (i.e. "kernel, Begin Sequence command sent over computer communication bus 302") of said computing system (i.e. "Event sequence 312 is initiated by sending a Begin Sequence command over computer communication bus 302. The extent of real-time control allotted to host computer 114 is confined to a determination of when event sequence 312 will begin", col. 14, lines 48-53, DFN device driver 314 operates at kernel mode, Figure 71, - event sequence stored in event queue 322 is accessible to the host from privileged mode level of the kernel when the host initiates event sequence using the Begin Sequence Command which is sent to the DFN 304 via Device driver 334 to initiate the event sequence stored in event queue 322 of DFN 304-"Device driver 334 is a kernel-mode program that provides an interface to access hardware and also controls DFN hardware interactions with the operating system", col. 72, lines 51-53); and executing one at a time each of said commands (i.e. "event instructions") from said stored sequence of commands (i.e. "event sequence", "According to an embodiment of the present invention, the instructions are event instructions, known collectively as an event sequence 312. Each event instruction is executed at well-timed intervals. Event instructions trigger events that control external devices, such as through commands communicated over bus interfaces. For example, event instructions include 32 bit control words that are sent over image detection bus 377 to image detection system 112, and x-ray pulse trigger commands sent over real-time bus 379 to radiation generation system 109. Based on frame sequence 310, a complete list of such event instructions to be performed is constructed. The event sequence 312 need not be constructed in real-time and is therefore easily executed on host computer 114 running a non-real time operating system to support an event compiler. Once the event sequence 312 is known, the details are transmitted to DFN 304 for execution in real-time", col. 14, lines 22-26).